

# Year 6 Autumn Term Newsletter.



Year 6 is a busy and enjoyable year for both pupils and staff. The Year 6 team have been pleased with the positive start the children have made and we are looking forward to a successful year.

**EQUIPMENT** - A reminder that all children need a drawstring bag that will fit in their cubby hole, a pencil case with pens, pencils, ruler, rubber and a sharpener, and correct PE kit including plimsolls and trainers. School shoes should be worn to and from school every day and long hair should be tied up. No nail polish or jewellery should be worn with the exception of stud earrings.

**MATHEMATICS:** We will continue to consolidate and develop key skills in all areas. Other topics include: place value; multiplication and division; real life problems, fractions, decimals and percentages; data handling and shape and space work.

**ENGLISH:** Over the Autumn term we will look at fiction stories in various genres. Our non-fiction range includes diaries, letters, recounts and reports.

**SCIENCE:** We explore living things and their habitats and how to classify different groups. We also look at Animals including Humans and in particular the workings of the circulatory system.

**TOPIC:** Our history topic is Britain since 1930. We will concentrate on the Home Front including evacuation, The Blitz, rationing and propaganda. If you have any resources at home such as ration books, photographs etc. which we could borrow then we would be delighted to use them.

Evacuation Day is scheduled for Tuesday 12th September.

**R.E.:** This term we will be thinking about what Muslims believe and the Muslim way of life. In the second part of Autumn we will be looking at Christian pilgrimages and the meaning behind Christmas.

**P.S.H.E:** As the children begin thinking about their next school, we will be discussing rights and responsibilities. We will think about strategies to cope with new situations that they may find themselves in and how to keep safe.

**COMPUTING:** This term we will be looking at online safety and the history of computing.

**ART and D.T.:** Art begins with a look at figures and the paintings of LS Lowry. Later on, DT will focus on designing, creating and evaluating packaging for chocolate.

**P.E./GAMES:** Indoor PE will begin with gymnastics. In outdoor games children will be focussing on their individual co-ordination skills and team games. Please ensure children have outdoor wear for all weather conditions including a tracksuit as the cold weather has already arrived!



**READING:** Please ensure that you hear your child read, or discuss your child's reading, every day for at least 10 minutes as it is incredibly important in aiding their learning in all areas of the curriculum. Please ensure you note down what they have read in your child's new homework diary so that this can be recorded for our half-termly reading reward.

**TIMESTABLES:** With the introduction of Timestable Rockstars, the children will have regular opportunities in school and for homework to practise their times tables, however, it is recommended that children should be practicing every day for 10 minutes.

**HOMEWORK:** Maths and English homework will be set once a week but as two separate tasks. Maths is set on Monday and will consist of 2 tasks. Task 1 will consist of a game, online activity or a simple exercise which is not required to be handed in for marking. Task 2 will be a written task which will need to be in on Thursdays to be marked. English is set on Thursday and will also consist of two tasks in the same manner as maths. Task 2 will be handed in on Mondays to be marked. In addition your child will receive half termly project based around another curriculum subject which will be shared and celebrated at the end of each half term. All homework is expected to be completed

Homework will be given out and collected as follows:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Hand in by/diary signed by</b>	<b>Response</b>
Reading	Daily	Friday	Fill in your diary reading record.
English (2 tasks)	Monday	Thursday	An adult should sign homework diary to confirm completion of Task 1. Complete task 2 and hand in.
Maths (2 tasks)	Thursday	Monday	An adult should sign homework diary to confirm completion of Task 1. Complete task 2 and hand in.
Topic/Science	Half - termly	Given by class teacher.	Complete task and hand in.

We hope your child settles in quickly and enjoys their first term at Holy Trinity and we will do our best to ensure this.

Yours sincerely,

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The Year Six Team